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FEC Complaint against Suzanne Kosmas and Kommas for Congress (C00440149)

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This complaint is being filed by Clinton Eugene Curtis, Democratic Candidate for Florida Congressional District 24, against the candidate Suzanne Kosmas and her committee, Kommas for Congress, Committee ID C00440149 Clint Curtis address is P.O. Box 1456, Titusville FL. This complaint is submitted to the commission as a true recitation of the issues under penalty of perjury

Ms Kosmas and her committee knowingly mislead the public as to the origination of her telephonic communications to and utilized state democratic party offices and equipment for her federal campaign. Her campaign claimed the state offices, which are leased by the Florida State Democratic Party, as her campaign offices in public communications with the democratic voters. She knowingly led the voters to believe that the communication asking for support in the primary was from the Florida Democratic Party when in fact it was from her paid staffers. The calls continued even after being notified by myself of her illegal practice. Her fraud has been perpetrated upon hundreds of primary voters in this election and continues to this day.

In discussions with the state party it was determined that the state party was beginning a caller ID program directed exclusively to NPA voters in district 24 for the November general election. I was told that the script was "I am calling from the Florida Democratic Party (FDP) to see if you might support Suzanne Kosmas in the general election." There seems to be some odd explanations as to the difference between Ms Kosmas' hired staff and the Florida Democratic Party's staff that made the calls but what occurred was as

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follows Leonard Joseph of the FDP refused to provide a copy of the actual script but I have several individuals reporting seeing it's contents They will be easy to locate in an investigation

1 Ms Kosmas staff utilized the offices rented and maintained by the FDP (This was not disclosed properly either in public communications and probably not disclosed as a contribution on her FEC filings) Ms Kosmas and her campaign staff publicly represented to the democratic voters that these were offices rented and maintained by her campaign The offices were entirely utilized by her campaign (pictures of office enclosed as well as copy of email announcing the office opening) All individuals in the pictures have been identified as Kosmas staffers a public meetings Since contacting the party the offices were immediately sanitized and calls were made to other candidates in an attempt to cover the exclusive use by the Kosmas campaign The calls are still being made

2 Leonard Joseph of the FDP also stated that the phone lines were paid for by the FDP. The Kosmas for Congress campaign utilized those lines to make campaign calls solely for the purpose of promoting her campaign and candidacy Most egregious, is that Ms Kosmas staff did so while representing themselves to be from the FDP and made those calls not to the FDP intended NPA recipients but to known Democratic primary election voters Initially, the caller ID coming from the state party offices reflected Kosmas for Congress After notification of this illegal activity, the state

party had the telephone company change the caller ID to reflect the state democratic party

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3. Kosmas campaign volunteers, which controlled the entire office space, altered the phone script to be say "Hello, this is "callers name" calling from the Florida Democratic Party, I am calling to ask you to support Suzanne Kosmas for Congress " In at least one of the calls the caller was interrupted after stating they were from FDP by the person being called The person being called identified himself as a democratic precinct captain There could be no mistake as to the identity or party affiliation of the person being called There was no attempt by the Kosmas campaign staffer making the call to identify their actual identity as a Kosmas campaign staffer or that the call was paid for by the Kosmas for Congress campaign. In actuality the call was being made by the Kosmas staffer from the FDP's rented offices on phone lines paid for by the FDP When the person being called checked the caller ID it showed Kosmas for Congress as the caller ID. In that same call the person being called stated that they would not be supporting Ms Kosmas but instead would be supporting Clint Curtis Clint Curtis is her primary election opponent and not a general election opponent The caller then asked "why", which shows that they were aware that this was a primary election call. The party as well as her campaign manager, Paul Dunn, was notified of the illegal call activity.

This scenario has been repeated all across the district so your investigation should turn up hundreds if not thousands of these illegal communications The FDP has assured me that

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the Kosmas campaign was not authorized to use their phone lines or offices for the Kosmas campaigns purposes They have refused to provide that information in writing but we have no reason to doubt their statements An investigation of any office usage agreement and the telephone numbers being called (since the outdides were sanitized) will show that they are still making the fraudulent calls from the state rented offices on the state parties phone lines

After notification of the issue, the Kosmas campaign signs and literature were removed from the office windows as well as the drawers of the desks being emptied out Photo's of before and after at one of the offices have been included. Additional photo's are available. The misrepresented telephone communications have continued This misrepresentation has been a purposeful attempt to mislead the primary voters into voting for her in the primary election Beyond the lack of proper disclosure and the misrepresentation of the message a fraud has been perpetrated on the voting public We ask that you take appropriate action to rectify these massive purposeful violations We are willing to pursue any actions your investigation requires including formal criminal or crvil actions



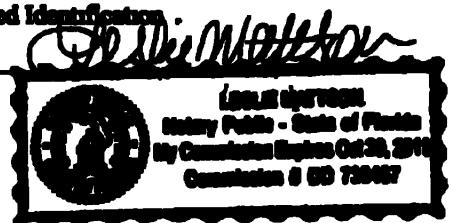
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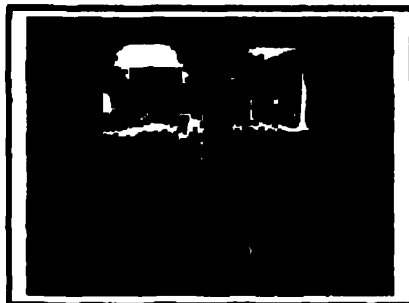
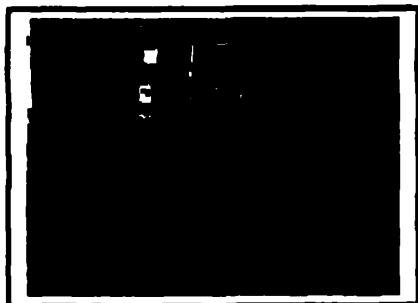
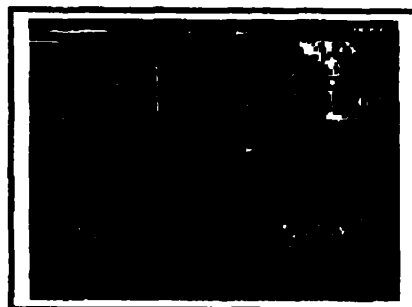
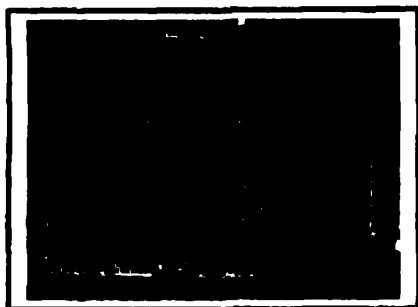
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[Signature of complainant]

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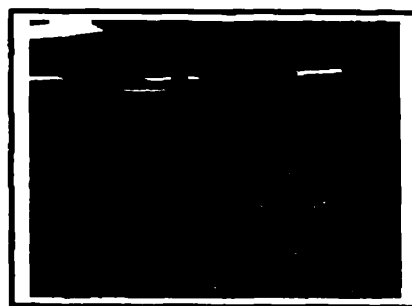
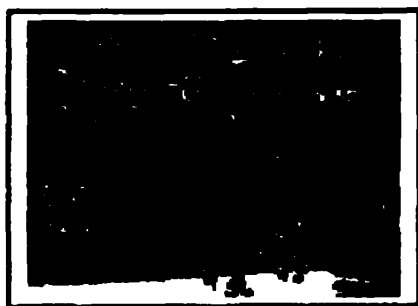
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Before



After



Office located in Oviedo FL

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> ----- Original Message -----

> Subject: Misrepresented phone call

> From: Tyler Weisman

> Date: Thu, July 31, 2008 6:13 pm

> To: Clint Curtis

> Cc: Jerry Halberg

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> Clint

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> On the afternoon of July 30, 2008, I received a phone call that went

> as follows

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> "Hello, this is" so and so "calling from the Florida Democratic Party "

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> I said, "Oh great, I am one of your precinct captains "

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> He replied, "Well I am calling to ask you to support Suzanne Kosmas

> for congress "

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> I responded, "She is the last person I would support, I am supporting

> Clint Curtis and am on his campaign staff "

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> He asked me why, and I proceeded to give him my list of reasons and

> ended the call

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> I immediately notified your campaign manager, Mr. Jerry Halberg of the

> situation

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> He asked me to provide the Caller ID information, which was as follows

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> KOSMAS FOR CONG

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> 407-365-7808

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> 12:07 PM 7/30

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> As per your request, I am emailing you this information

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> Tyler Weisman

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BODY HTML included in message

Hello! Thanks first of all for taking the time to talk to us on the phone the other day! We really do appreciate your time. This email is to invite all of you to our grand opening party which will be held on July 26th from 11-2. Our address is 213 South Hopkins Ave in Titusville. For those of you unfamiliar with the area, Hopkins Ave is the south bound side of US 1. We are about a block south of Garden Street. Please follow this link for detailed directions
<http://maps.google.com/maps?f=q&hl=en&geocode=&q=213+S+Hopkins+Ave,+Titusville,+FL+32796&hl=-42.122752,-76.026598&spr=0.006637,0.012531&ie=UTF8&ll=28.615984,-80.808263&spr=0.007855,0.012531&z=16&rlor=addr>

There will be some light refreshments at the event (Coffee, donuts, bagels), and feel free to bring something light to share! Please come and meet Suzanne and bring your friends and questions! Information will be given on the campaign, the district, and how you can help us! Thank you again for your time and we hope to see you on Saturday July 26th!